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Chitina Subdistrict Federal Subsistence Fishing Schedule Amendment Announced

Copper Center, AK -- The fishing schedule for Federally qualified subsistence users in the Chitina Subdistrict of the Copper River was announced today by the Federal Subsistence Board. This schedule is identical to the State schedule and is subject to change based on numbers of salmon entering the Copper River. The amendment does not change the current fishing period which opened at 12:01 AM on Monday, July 26 and will close at 11:59 AM on Sunday, July 2. The next open period for the taking of salmon in the Chitina Subdistrict of the Copper River will be from 12:01 A.M. Monday, July 3, 2006 until 11:59 P.M. Sunday, July 9, 2006.

2006 Federal Subsistence Salmon Fishery Schedule for the Chitina Subdistrict of the Upper Copper River District.

Dates	Period Hours
Friday, June 9, 12:01 PM – Sunday, June 11, 8:00 PM	56
Monday, June 12, 12:01 AM – Sunday, June 18, 11:59 PM	168
Monday, June 19, 12:01 AM – Sunday, June 25, 11:59 PM	168
Monday, June 26, 12:01 AM – Sunday, July 2, 11:59 PM	168
Monday, July 3, 12:01 AM – Sunday July 9, 11:59 PM	168
Tuesday, July 11, 12:01 PM – Sunday, July 16, 11:59 PM	132
Monday, July 17, 12:01 PM – Sunday, July 23, 11:59 PM	156
Monday, July 24, 12:01 AM – Saturday, September 30, 11:59 PM	Continuous

This fishery is open, during the periods listed above, to Federally qualified subsistence users. A Federal permit is required to participate in the fishery under Federal regulations. This permit may be obtained without charge from the National Park Service office in Copper Center or Slana from 8-5, 7 days a week or from the Tetlin National Wildlife Refuge in Tok, Monday – Friday from 8-5.

The National Park Service office in Copper Center provides a recorded message phone with the most current fishing schedule. The recorded message is available 24-hours daily. The phone number is (907) 822-7256. Subsistence users are encouraged to call this number prior to fishing to determine if amendments have been made to previously announced fishing schedules.

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